

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant: Craig D. Johnson, et al. §  
§ Group Art No.: 3679  
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Serial No.: 10/708,517 § Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody  
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Filed: March 9, 2004 § Docket No: 68.0322US  
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Title: JOINING TUBULAR MEMBERS §  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on June 30, 2006, the Assignee elects the species of Group I, claims 1-5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 22, without traverse.

The Commissioner is authorized to pay any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0457.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date

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